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SUBJECT: MOSCOW--ANOTHER WARNING ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY
IN BERLIN

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THE SOVIET UNION HAS ONCE AGAIN EXPRESSED SERIOUS CONCERN OVER BONN'S PLANS TO OPEN A FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY IN WEST BERLIN. A FOREIGN MINISTRY STATEMENT ISSUED YESTERDAY WARNED THAT, IF THE WEST GERMANS GO AHEAD AND SET UP THE AGENCY, THIS WILL VIOLATE THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT AND REQUIRE "APPROPRIATE MEASURES" TO PROTECT SOVIET AND EAST GERMAN INTERESTS.

NO HINT WAS GIVEN AS TO WHAT ACTIONS MIGHT BE TAKEN, AND INDEED, THAT MAY NOT YET BE DECIDED.

THE STATEMENT CONCLUDED WITH ASSURANCES THAT MOSCOW DOES

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NOT SEEK "FRICTION" OVER BERLIN AND IS READY TO DO EVERYTHING
NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE STRICT OBSERVANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF
THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT. DESPITE THE CONCILIATORY RING OF
THESE ASSURANCES, THE STATEMENT AS A WHOLE INDICATES THAT MOSCOW
THINKS SOME SORT OF RETALIATORY ACTION IS APPROPRIATE IF BONN
GOES AHEAD WITH ITS PLANS.

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